

WILSON SUBMITS "FINAL" PROPOSITION TO R. R. HEADS

WILSON'S FINAL STEP

Submits Last Proposition to Rail Executives Before Invoking Congressional Aid

INSISTS UPON AN
EIGHT-HOUR DAY

Is Willing to Give Railroad Companies
a Year, However, to Work Out
Details of Plan

By United Press.

Washington, August 28. — President Wilson today presented new proposals to the railroad executives by which he hopes to avert the threatened final break between the companies and the trainmen and the inevitable industrial crisis that would follow.

The new plan which the president formulated was responsible for the postponement of his conference with the railroad presidents from this morning till this afternoon.

It is understood that President Wilson stands pat in his demand for the concession of the eight hour day to the employees by the railroads. It is said, however, that he is willing for sufficient time to elapse before it is put into effect to enable a commission of five men to investigate and work out the details, taking a year, if necessary.

If his present effort fails, it is expected that the president will appeal to congress for the passage of laws to delay and possibly avert a strike.

Hope for adjourning congress this week was killed today when Senator Kern announced on the floor of the senate that it was impossible to complete the program by Friday as had been planned.

President Wilson had made arrangements to go to the capitol at 4 o'clock this afternoon to confer with the members of the senate steering committee. It was stated that the purpose of his visit is to discuss strike developments.

Meeting Deferred.

By United Press.

Washington, August 28. — President Wilson's conference with the railroad presidents' committee of eight, at which "final" terms will be presented, was deferred from 10 o'clock this morning until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

A MAGNIFICENT STALK.

A stalk which, if it were an average would yield a bale of cotton to the acre, was brought in to the Farm Bureau this afternoon by G. B. Pannell, living two miles southwest of Chickasha. The cotton was planted the first of June, and has been cultivated five times. It contains 65 bolls and is a perfectly sound and healthy plant in every respect. Mr. Pannell has sixteen acres in cotton but needless to say not all of the excellent variety which he brought to town for exhibition.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP BATTLE.

By United Press.

Forest Hills, L. I., Aug. 28.—Unusual interest centers in this year's national lawn tennis championship tournament, which opened today on the courts of the West Side Tennis club at Forest Hills.

Ordinarily the race narrows down to two men. This year, however, there are a number of brilliant players who are given a chance at the title. Willis E. Davis, Robert Lindley Murray, George Church, J. Norris Williams, Maurice McLoughlin, Ishiya Kumagata, and several other well known stars have entered.

H. F. Reddig, division superintendent, H. Fairmon, trainmaster, John Mahlie, roadmaster, A. C. Bradley, division engineer, and C. O. Dowell, transportation inspector, were Rock Island officials from El Reno in the city this morning.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.
Tonight and Tuesday, fair.
Local Temperature,
During 24 hours ending 8
a. m. today:
Maximum, 88; minimum, 66.
Rainfall Sunday, .18 inch.

COLLECTING IS BRISK

Records of Four Years Broken in Payment
of Paving Taxes Due to Settlement
of Dispute

"This has been the best week in the collection of paving and grading taxes that we have had in three or four years," said City Clerk E. G. Reynolds to an Express reporter today. "In order to avoid further heavy penalties the people are coming in rapidly to settle for this and for past years. This rush is probably due to the fact that the question of whether they must ultimately pay in full has been practically settled and the interested parties realize that it is poor business to tack another eighteen per cent onto all that is now due by waiting until after the first of the month to pay up."

The collections during the past week in the city clerk's office have totaled \$5500, of which \$2100 was paid in on Friday and Saturday.

There are now four more days in which to pay including the first of the month, after which the usual 18 per cent will be attached.

The city clerk will continue to keep his office open during the noon hour during the four days of grace which still remain, including the first of September, and will not close until 6 p. m.

IN POLICE COURT.

That Sammy Dwyer has done his work well as motorcycle cop is evidenced by the fact that when his honor, Mayor Coffman, opened police court this morning there was not a single case of speeding or cutting corners on the docket. While the regulation \$5 dose may have been regarded lightly in the beginning it has apparently ceased to be a novelty and autoists are paying stricter attention to their speedometers and to the centers of intersecting streets when turning corners.

Three negro women, Clara Moore, Baby Lilly and Rose Wilson, were fined \$5 each today for disturbing the peace.

B. H. Booker, S. J. Golden and J. S. Cook did not appear at 9 o'clock this morning to answer to the charges of disturbing the peace which were placed opposite their names on the docket. Hugh Williams charged with using abusive language to a woman, forfeited a \$25 cash bond when his case was called at 9 o'clock.

W. A. Wallace was soaked \$5 for being drunk and W. M. Bates \$5 for the same offense.

After court had convened Sammy Dwyer showed up with the first charge he had entered since Saturday morning, that against R. D. Smith for refusing to stop and for speeding. Smith put up a \$5 bond and his case was continued.

SHIPMENT OF HOGS.

This week has started out briskly in local hog shipments, two carloads being sent out of Chickasha today to Oklahoma City. One of these was shipped by A. S. White, local hog buyer, and the other by R. L. Wheeler from his farm five miles northwest of town.

WHEAT MARKET DROPS.

By United Press.
Chicago, August 28.—Wheat dropped from seven to eight points on the exchange here today. The declaration of war by Roumania against the Central Powers was the cause of it.

NEW BUYERS FLOCK TO CHICKASHA

Broom Corn Men Come to Buy Many
Carloads of Product for Ship-
ment to East

Among the many prominent broom corn buyers drawn to Chickasha by the splendid crop in this vicinity this year, are W. C. Thomas, a broom manufacturer from Ramseur, N. C., and Arthur Lee, representing the American Warehouse Co., at Wichita, Kansas, both of whom arrived in Chickasha this morning. Mr. Thomas will make Chickasha his headquarters and will probably buy from twenty to twenty-five carloads of the product in this vicinity.

A special of fifteen empty broom corn cars left for Lindsay at 11:30 a. m. today where there are fully as many loaded cars waiting to be brought in to Chickasha. Thirty-two cars were loaded at Lindsay Saturday.

CARLOAD OF BROOM CORN

The public weigher was busy today weighing fifteen tons of broom corn which was being brought in to make up a carload which is being shipped today by W. E. Thompson from his farm north of Chickasha. Mr. Thompson gets \$100 a ton for his product, the straw being too hard and not thick enough to command the higher prices.

AUTO TAX RETURNED TO COUNTY

County Treasurer H. N. Mullican today received from the state department of highways a check for \$1986.30, the same being 90 per cent of the tax collected from auto owners in Grady county during the month of July.

Of the entire amount paid to the state department \$714.70 came from the owners of cars outside of Chickasha and \$314.70 from persons within the city. One fourth of the amount paid by Chickasha autoists will be turned over to the city treasurer and the remainder, together with the other sum received from the state, becomes a part of the county road fund.

Since the collection of the auto tax was begun the first of the year Grady county has received over \$7500 from this source. Frank Carter, inspector for the state department, is now looking up delinquents in this county and it is expected that the collections for August will be heavier than they were last month. A penalty of not less than \$50 is provided for failure to pay the tax.

LIKES THE CITY JAIL.

Cain Batiest, an Indian visitor to Chickasha, marvels at the affinity between his loaded person and the city jail. He was fined in court Saturday morning for drunkenness. He paid the fine and had \$7.50 with which to take him to Lindsay. But he did not get there. On Saturday night he was found broke and drunk and was again lodged in jail. He drew on his bank this morning but Desk Sergeant Looney took no chances and after paying his \$5 fine kept him in jail until the departure of his train today for Lindsay, when he escorted him to the station and placed him aboard.

PREPARE TO DRILL AT LINDSAY

Outfit Brought in by John Abernathy After
Several Thousand Acres are
Leased

\$6,000 ALREADY
PAID FOR LEASES

Preparations Completed to Drill Twenty
Inch Hole to Depth of 6,000
Feet for Oil

After gumshoeing it for several weeks during which time he and I. W. Williams, former deputy United States marshal at Purcell, had obtained leases on several thousand acres of most promising oil lands, John Abernathy, an experienced oil man, has unloaded at Lindsay today a large oil drilling outfit with which he will begin immediate operations twelve miles southwest of that town. Mr. Williams in the past few weeks has paid out over \$6,000 for oil leases, giving terms more liberal than had been expected by the owners of the property.

"This territory looks most promising," said Mr. Williams today. "Favorable reports have been received from several prominent geologists who have made examinations and their reports justify the big tests which Mr. Abernathy is prepared to make."

LOCAL CROP CONDITIONS

"I was in the east part of the county in the vicinity of Naples, Blanchard, and Middleburg," said W. D. Hargraves, who returned yesterday, "where, on Walnut and Bitter creeks the farmers will make at least three-fourths of a crop of corn. Cotton in that section is cut at least half in two. This is a large cattle growing area and the pastures are almost gone. The biggest job which the farmer now has is to keep water for his cattle. This is the section in which the recent hail storm fell. The June corn was badly damaged and will yield no crop at all. The only part of it that can be saved is the fodder."

"Of the broom corn and cotton which was planted in this hail district, the broom corn will make three-quarters of a crop and will be of good quality. Cattle feeders are making an effort to engage the corn for feeding purposes this winter. It is an exceptionally fine year for Sudan grass and those who were fortunate enough to sow this year are getting a full crop. It is a pity that more farmers did not start it."

"The majority of farmers in this section will raise enough hogs to make (Continued on Page Three.)"

SOUTH AMERICA SITTING ON HUGE POWDER MAGAZINE

(By Charles P. Stewart, United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Buenos Aires, August 1.—(By mail.)—South America's republics today are sitting over just another powder magazine as the one which exploded two years ago in Europe. In many ways the situation recalls the situation existing in Europe just a few years before the outbreak of the present struggle.

The recent hint of war between Venezuela and Peru and Colombia and Ecuador brought South America to sharp attention. They might easily do what the Balkan mixup did to Europe.

There is the same feeling that a widespread clash cannot be prevented, the same conflict of interest, same warnings, same preparations, same

COTTON TAKES SLUMP.

By United Press.
New York, August 28.—Cotton went off a dollar a bale on the exchange here today. The slump was attributed to war developments arising from the entrance of Bulgaria into the struggle in Europe.

GUARDIANS EXECUTORS ARE BUSY

Reports Must Now Be Approved by County
Judge Before Action Will Be Taken
on Indian Claims

If anyone labors under the delusion that a county judge does not earn his salary he should have been present in court today when Judge Davenport made a dive into 150 reports of guardians, administrators and executors, the approval of whose annual statements is required in order that any of these wards or estates which have Indian claims may be paid. Previous to a recent ruling of the probate attorney the annual report was obliged to be filed only but the approval of these accounts is now necessary before any claim will be considered.

The reports were received from seventy-five different people charged with estates and wards who were called on today. And the worst is yet to come.

Owing to the illness of his wife Judge W. H. Woods of Purcell, probate attorney, did not appear on his usual round in Chickasha today.

The sale and approval of sale by wards under the charge of John O. Toole of McAlester brought that gentleman here today at a hearing before Judge Davenport. It has only been recently that guardians have been getting bonuses on oil leases.

INCREASED R. R. RATES REFUSED

By United Press.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 28.—The state railroad commission today cancelled every advance in rates made as a result of the hearings a year ago on the petition of the roads for more revenue. The order will be effective September 1, and will reinstate rates in effect before the new tariffs were made.

The order was the result of the agreement of the railroads last week to ignore several Texas-made rates between points affected by the Interstate Commerce decision in the Shreveport case.

A. J. Mauldin of Purcell is here on legal business.

IN AUTO COLLISION.

Deputy County Clerk J. F. Burrows seldom spends a Sabbath day out of town that he does not return with a story. Having no watermelon tale on tap from Tuttle he became entangled in an automobile collision instead, from which all parties concerned happily escaped injury.

The mishap occurred one and a half miles south of Tuttle last evening, when two Overlands met on a steep grade. Mr. and Mrs. Burrows were riding in the car driven by Mrs. Slado when that and another driven by Miss Campbell came together, breaking the front fenders of both cars.

Mr. Burrows reports no rain at Tuttle yesterday.

ROUMANIA ENTERS WAR

CHAINED TO CANNON.

By United Press.
London, August 28.—Firing point blank at a German gunner, a British Tommy now invalided home, was amazed that the Teuton didn't fall. He grappled with the German and found the man dead but held upright by a chain binding him to the machine.

CANDIDATE LAYS OFF

Hughes Party Goes to High Priced Estes
Park for Vacation Furnishing Good
Advertising for Hotels

By United Press.

Estes Park, Colo., Aug. 28.—Charles E. Hughes is vacationing here today in a beautiful mountain park bounded on the west by a score of peaks thirteen and fourteen thousand feet above sea level. There is nothing in the European Alps to equal this region in scenic beauty. Here the Republican candidate will indulge his well known love for mountain climbing.

Hotel keepers and ranchers in this Rocky Mountain National Park are duly grateful to Mr. Hughes for the advertising. Estes Park, the name of the post office, formerly was the name of all the surrounding thousands of acres, but since Uncle Sam reserved the territory for a people's playground it is officially known as the Rocky Mountain National Park. Government reports show that it is annually visited by more people than any other national park.

The Young Men's Christian Association, one of the first to recognize the advantages of the region, has expended over \$100,000 on a tract near Estes Park for a summer camp.

Governor and Mrs. Hughes are stopping at the Stanley hotel, "roughing it" amidst surroundings as luxurious as anything obtainable in the country's finest hostelry. They feel right at home among the prices, too, the rates being \$4 a day and skywards.

Newspapermen with the candidate, why try to trail him on automobile trips in the Estes Park region, will learn something about the cost of high living that no New York taxi possibly could teach them.

Wild animal life, glaciers, glacial lakes, everlasting snow, luxurious hotels, beautiful automobile routes, mountain climbing, Colorado sunshine, meadows of wild flowers and pine woods are only a few of the delights of this region.

Governor and Mrs. Hughes were introduced to the scenic wonders hereabouts on their automobile ride from Lyons Sunday following the Denver mass meeting. The candidate will remain here until next Friday afternoon, when the campaign trip will be resumed. Topeka, Sept. 2, and Kansas City, Mo., on the evening of the same date, are the next stops.

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By United Press.

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nations engaged in the war. It places a thoroughly drilled and equipped army of 600,000 men on the side of the allies. Roumania's chief object in entering the war at this time is the hope of annexing the two Austrian provinces of Transylvania and Bukovina, which are largely inhabited by Roumanians.

Russ Advancing.

By United Press.

Petrograd, August 28.—It is reported today that the Russian forces advancing on Hults captured the woods east of Delouy in the Caucasus and they continue to push back the Turks.

Declares War on Central Powers Today
After Italy Declare War on Ger-
many Yesterday

ALLIES WILL CRUSH
BULGARIAN FORCES

With Additional 600,000 Well Equipped
Bulgarian Troops Allies Plan to
Destroy Warring Bulgars

By United Press.
Berlin, August 28.—It was officially announced this afternoon that Roumania declared war on Austria last night. The French foreign office said Roumania had issued a declaration against the Central Powers. It is expected that Germany will dismiss the Roumanian minister today. According to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, the Roumanian army is already one-third mobilized within striking distance of the Hungarian frontier and is expected to invade Transylvania before the end of the week.

Will Crush Bulgaria.

By United Press.
London, August 28.—Roumania has joined the allies in the war on the Central Powers.

Roumania's decision is expected to be followed shortly by the opening of a great allied offensive in the Balkans, the object being to squeeze the Bulgarians between two opposing forces, thus closing the pathway which the Germans cut through Serbia to Constantinople.

It is announced by the war office that the British forces made progress last night east of the Duville Woods. Dispatches from Paris say the French repulsed several attacks against Fleury last night.

Roumania Declares War.

By United Press.

Paris, August 28.—Roumania today declared war on the central powers following a meeting of the crown council, according to dispatches received here. The crown council went into session immediately after a meeting of representatives of the leading political parties, former premiers, cabinet members and financiers. The meeting was intended to acquaint King Ferdinand with public sentiment. There is general aversion toward a former minister of war being made commander of the Roumanian army, according to delayed press dispatches.

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